

BY-LAWS OF THE YALE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INCORPORATED

As adopted October 4, 1948, and amended through
December 1, 1965.

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- B. As an educational medium, to train and instruct its members in the field of radio both in its technical, program, and public service aspects in conformity with standard practices and procedures of the radio industry as set forth by the Federal Communications Commission and the National Association of Broadcasters.
- C. To serve as a communications link between the Yale community and the surrounding area, bringing the resources of the University to its neighbors, and fostering closer contact between the two groups for the benefit of both.

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Section I. Eligibility for Membership.

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- A. Collectively the Full Members shall constitute the General Board.
- B. Full Members shall attend and participate in all functions; they shall be eligible to hold office and to vote.
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 2. Successfully complete the heeling competition, which shall last between six and nine weeks.
 3. Be voted upon by those members present and voting at a General Board meeting.

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- D. Inactive Members may appeal their status to the Executive Committee and a majority vote of that Committee shall be sufficient for reinstatement to Full Membership.
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Section I. The Board of Governors of the Yale Broadcasting Company, Incorporated, shall be comprised of:

- A. The Chairman of the General Board ex-officio.
- B. Six other persons who shall:
 - 1. Be elected by a majority vote of the Full Members present and voting at a General Board meeting.
 - 2. Serve for a term of six years on a rotational system, so that one Governor is elected each year.
 - 3. Not be undergraduates of Yale University.
- C. The Secretary of the General Board ex-officio.

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- A. Chairman.
- B. Program Director.
- C. Business Manager.
- C. Vice-Chairman.
- E. Technical Director.
- F. Public Relations Director.
- G. Secretary.

Section II. Method of Election.

- A. The officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the members present and voting at a General Board meeting.
- B. The elections shall take place in November or December of each year, and the new officers shall officially assume their duties with the commencement of classes in the following January.
- C. Officers must be members of the Junior or Senior Classes, except when a special election to a vacated position is required during the Fall Term prior to the regularly scheduled election, in which case only Seniors are eligible.
- D. The election procedure shall be as follows:
 - 1. One week before the announced date for the election of officers, each candidate for an office shall submit to the incumbent Chairman a letter declaring his candidacy.
 - 2. The Chairman will post the slates of candidates one week before the election, whereupon no candidate may run for an office ranked higher than that for which he declared. He may run for any lower-ranking office. The offices in descending order of rank shall be: Chairman, Program Director, Business Manager, Vice-Chairman, Technical Director, Public Relations Director, Secretary.
 - 3. At the election meeting officers shall be elected in descending order of rank.
 - 4. After all candidates for a given office are nominated, each candidate will speak for no more than five minutes and answer questions of members for no more than five minutes.
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ARTICLE V. Executive Committee (continued)

Section II. Method of Election (continued).

D. The election procedure shall be as follows (continued):

6. During a candidate's speech and answering period, all competing candidates shall be absent.
7. After all candidates for an office have been heard, a general discussion shall ensue, in which the nominator of a given candidate may speak first on behalf of that candidate..
8. The general discussion of an office election shall last no more than ten minutes, unless it is extended by a majority vote of the members.
9. All the candidates for the office shall remain absent during this general discussion and the vote following it, which shall be by secret ballot.
10. This procedure shall be followed for uncontested elections, as well. An unopposed candidate shall consider a vote of less than a majority of votes cast as a vote of no-confidence, urging him, but not requiring him, to decline to serve.
11. Only in uncontested elections shall abstentions be counted, and then they shall be considered negative votes.

Section III. Duties of Officers.

A. The Chairman shall:

1. Preside at meetings of the General Board, at meetings of the Executive Committee, and at meetings of the Board of Governors.
2. Represent the Corporation, except as otherwise provided in these By-Laws.
3. Have the power to call meetings of the General Board, Executive Committee, and Board of Governors.
4. Have the deciding vote at General Board meetings in case of a tie; otherwise, he shall have no vote.
5. Countersign all of the Corporation's checks in conjunction with the Business Manager.
6. Serve as Chairman of the Board of Governors.
7. Be President of the Corporation ex-officio.

B. The Program Director shall:

1. Be directly responsible for all that goes over the air.
2. Be in charge of all broadcasting operations.
3. Maintain a daily station log.
4. Submit a monthly report to the General Board, a weekly report to the Executive Committee, and a report to the Board of Governors at each of its meetings.

C. The Business Manager shall:

1. Be in complete charge of and responsible for the Corporation's finances.
2. Submit reports by the month, semester, and year to the General Board, and a weekly report to the Executive Committee.

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ARTICLE V. Executive Committee (continued).

Section III. Duties of Officers (continued).

C. The Business Manager shall (continued):

3. Be in charge of office supplies and incidental expenses, and approve expenditures of other departments. He shall, in conjunction with the Chairman, develop budgets for other major departments, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.
4. Countersign the Corporation's checks in conjunction with the Chairman.
5. Or in his absence, the Chairman shall authorize in writing all expenditures for station activities by station personnel. No expenditures may be made in any other manner.
6. Be Treasurer of the Corporation ex-officio.
7. Submit reports to the Board of Governors for each of its meetings.

D. The Vice-Chairman shall:

1. Assist the Chairman, and in cases of necessity temporarily assume the Chairmanship of both the General Board and the Board of Governors. If the Chairman is permanently incapacitated, the Vice-Chairman will serve until an election can be held.
2. Be in charge of all entertainment.
3. Be in charge of heeling competitions and heelers.
4. Be Vice-President of the Corporation ex-officio.

E. The Technical Director shall:

1. Be in charge of, and responsible for, the maintenance of all the technical equipment of the station.
2. Make recommendations for the purchase of new technical equipment, and shall be responsible for the acquisition of equipment after approval by the General Board of the Executive Committee.
5. Submit a monthly report to the General Board, a weekly report to the Executive Committee, and a report to the Board of Governors at each of its meetings.

F. The Public Relations Director shall:

1. Be responsible for publicizing all station activities.
2. Be in charge of all polling activities, and take several polls per year.
3. Be in charge of an alumni organization and alumni relations.
4. Submit a monthly report to the General Board, a weekly report to the Executive Committee, and a report to the Board of Governors at each of its meetings.

G. The Secretary shall:

1. Take complete minutes of General Board, Executive Committee, and Board of Governors meetings and post them.
2. Write a history of his year.

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ARTICLE V. Executive Committee (continued)

Section III. Duties of Officers (continued).

G. The Secretary shall (continued):

3. Keep a list of all men currently attached to the station in any capacity.
4. Send notices of General Board meetings and other events to all members.
5. Serve as Secretary of the Board of Governors.
6. Be Secretary of the Corporation ex-officio.

H. All Officers shall:

1. Be in charge of their respective departments and activities.
2. Have authority to appoint heads of subdivisions of their departments, subject to the Executive Committee's approval.

Section IV. Powers and Procedures of the Executive Committee.

A. The Executive Committee shall be responsible for the operation of the Yale Broadcasting Company, Incorporated. It shall have the power to execute this responsibility:

1. Provided that its actions do not constitute a violation of these By-Laws or the responsibility vested in the Board of Governors.
2. With its decisions subject to a two-thirds vote recall by the General Board at its next meeting.

B. A majority of the Executive Committee shall be necessary and sufficient to take action. In vacation periods when a meeting of the Executive Committee is not feasible, the Chairman and/or the Business Manager and any other single Executive Committee member shall constitute a quorum.

C. The Executive Committee shall meet at least once each week during the college year.

D. The Executive Committee, with but one dissenting vote, shall have the power to table General Board resolutions for the period of one General Board meeting.

E. The Executive Committee shall have the power to appropriate the expenditure of funds.

ARTICLE VI. Dissolution. In the event of dissolution of the Corporation, all remaining assets shall be given to a non-profit organization to be selected by a majority vote of the General Board at the time of dissolution.

ARTICLE VII. Amendments.

Section I. These By-Laws may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting at a General Board meeting. An amendment may be presented at such a meeting either by the Chairman or from the floor.

Section II. No amendment to alter the non-profit status of the Corporation shall be recognizable.

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